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CRIME

Didsbury RCMP make \$1.5 million marijuana bust

by Richard Westlund

Didsbury RCMP made a huge marijuana bust in Water Valley over the holiday period after investigating on a complaint of theft of electricity.

On December 28, Didsbury RCMP were called to a rural residence west of Water Valley on the complaint. Further investigation resulted in the execution of a search warrant the following morning.

Five members for the Didsbury RCMP detachment, three members from the Drug Squad in Red Deer and one Proceeds of Crime Officer took part in the execution of the search warrant.

The residence in question was empty when police approached it and physically knocked the door down to gain entry.

Inside police located a substantial and highly sophisticated marijuana grow operation in the basement. More than 1,500 marijuana plants were seized together with equipment related to the cultivation and production of marijuana. The plants seized had an estimated street value of \$1.5 million.

Didsbury RCMP Sgt. Ron Platz said the plants in question could have been harvested three times a year making of proceeds of \$4.5 million per year.

"We always like to take down these grow operations. Every take down is a benefit to our communities."

- Ron Platz,
Didsbury RCMP

Platz said the grow operation was huge and covered the entire basement. He said there were lots of grow lights and watering systems.

"We always like to take down these grow operations. Every take down is a benefit to our communities," said Platz.

The entire process of the bust took 19 hours. Platz said much time is needed to take inventory, photographs and removal of the drugs and equipment.

Platz said the RCMP gets information from Crimestoppers and public complaints to help locate some of these grow operations. Platz said in this case police acted on the complaint of theft of power and other information he was unable to divulge to make the bust.

Charges have not been laid yet as police are continuing to investigate.

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TEACHER CONTRACTS

Chinook's Edge teachers could strike by Jan. 18

by Dan Singleton

The 600 teachers in the Chinook's Edge school division could be on strike as early as January 18 as the educators prepare for a possible strike vote on Jan. 15.

The teachers - members of the Alberta Teachers Association local #17 - are scheduled to meet in Bowden on Jan. 10 to decide whether to hold a strike vote.

"We're having the general meeting to authorize the strike vote, and then if the vote is authorized at that meeting, the strike vote is going to occur on the 15th," said local president Bob Worsfold, an Olds teacher.

Asked if the executive will recommend the teachers hold a strike vote, Worsfold replied, "I would guess so, yes. 'If teachers okay a vote, ballots will be cast on Jan. 15.'

At that time, the local executive may recommend strike action, he said.

"That will probably be the recommendation. We have seen

nothing from the board and the next date scheduled with the mediator is Jan. 31. With what has happened that will be the recommendation."

If the majority vote for a strike, the teachers could legally walk out 72 hours later.

There are 12,000 students in the west central Alberta division, including students in Sundre, Olds, Didsbury, Carstairs and Innisfail.

Chinook's Edge teachers have been without a contract since August.

Negotiations between the educators and the elected board have failed to reach a new agreement.

Mediated talks between the board and local #17 ended on Dec. 13 after only six hours of negotiations.

The teachers are asking for a 20 per cent wage increase over two years, while Alberta Learning has countered with an offer of six per cent over two years.

The board doesn't have the money to meet the teachers'

demands, said board chairman Roy Brassard.

"There are provincial factors at play, and so it is fair to say that a strike is a very real possibility," said Brassard. "We hope to find a solution to this situation quickly so that we can avoid a strike. We know that's what's best for our students, and our students are our primary concern."

The province has failed to provide the division with sufficient funds, and should make more money available for teachers, said Worsfold.

"That's been the story all along," said Worsfold. "The boards have been underfunding continually and are still underfunded. The board indicated right from the beginning they don't have the resources. What we have basically been asking for is what health care professionals received, and they received 22 per cent over two years."

"We would like to see some government action on the positive side to avert a strike. No-

body wants a strike, definitely. The board (says they) don't want us to go on strike. We don't want to go on strike. It affects our pensions, it affects the students. It's not something any teacher wants to do ever."

Meanwhile, the Chinook's Edge board says parents should be making childcare arrangements just in case a strike is called.

"We sincerely hope it will not come to that, but in case it does, we feel it is important you know some of what you might expect," said Brassard. "We are sorry for the inconvenience that may occur due to a strike. If there is a strike diploma exams will still go ahead."

On diploma exam days, Chinook's Edge buses will run

at regularly scheduled times, and certified staff will oversee the exams and ensure the tests are delivered appropriately to Alberta Learning, he said. Achievement exams for some students in Grade 9 are scheduled for January, but those will not go ahead if there is a strike.

As well, extra curricular activities such as sports, fine arts and other clubs, team and group activities, and field trips will be cancelled.

"Because our staff will be reduced, we cannot keep the schools open to usergroups while at the same time ensuring the safety and security of our buildings," he said.

Teachers will not be picketing schools in the event of a strike, said Worsfold.

Interim doctors will help alleviate shortage

The Didsbury area is receiving some temporary relief as the area became even more short staffed in the last couple of weeks.

After two resignations cut the staff between Carstairs and Didsbury to just two physicians, Dr. Putts has taken a personal leave.

Health Authority 5 told the Review the Didsbury area is receiving three interim doctors at three separate time to fill the void until the local doctor situation is stabilized. The local doctors will serve the area until the middle of February.

Al Martins, CAO of Health Authority 5 said negotiations are close to being finalized with two permanent doctors looking to come to the area.

Meanwhile HA5 and the Town of Didsbury have struck a committee to look at the problem of the lack of doctors in the Didsbury area.

Rocky Mountain College marks 10th Anniversary

President Gordon Dirks said today that 2002 marks the tenth Anniversary of the existence of Rocky Mountain College in Calgary.

"We are so glad to be a part of the educational fabric of this dynamic city," Dirks said. "Over the past ten years, Rocky Mountain College has trained hundreds of individuals from over thirty different church denominations to become positive change agents here in Canada and overseas."

"RMC graduates over the years have found career positions as police chaplains, youth and human service workers, counsellors, music ministers, and church leaders," Dirks added.

Although Rocky Mountain College opened its doors for the first time in northwest Calgary in September 1992, it actually represents 125 years of experience in providing quality Christian higher education. That's because RMC is built on two solid foundations through the merger of Hillcrest Christian College from Medicine Hat and Didsbury's Mountain View Bible College.

Dirks said that some of the key highlights for Rocky Mountain College over the past ten years include the purchase of a high quality educational facil-

ity with a prime location and easy access, an increase of 93 per cent in annual enrollment to over 300 students, the development of new programs such as Counselling Psychology, Theatre Arts, and a Diploma in Compassionate Ministries, and a 1.7 million dollar capital expansion program.

RMC is also known for its one-year Christian discipleship program called THE EDGE which provides; students with unique, off-campus learning

experiences including extreme mountain adventures and hands-on ministry to homeless people in downtown Calgary.

Two major events on this year's college calendar include the convocation of the tenth Rocky Mountain College Graduating Class on April 20, and the 10th Anniversary Celebration Banquet on October 6.

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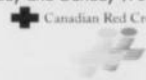
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Director of Client Services for Health Authority 5 Bonnie Porat and Team Leader of Acute Care Chrystal Comer show off the new trauma room at the Didsbury Hospital.

Didsbury Hospital receives new trauma room

by Richard Westlund

Didsbury Hospital will be better set up to handle trauma incidents in the future thanks to a \$100,000 renovation that has transformed an OR theatre into a new roomy and centrally located trauma room.

A new trauma room was created in the last quarter of 2001 and was opened just before Christmas and Health Authority 5 members are confident the changes will mean better and more efficient care of patients who need immediate attention.

"It wasn't the proper situation," said Bonnie Porat, Director of Client Services for Health Authority 5. "What we have done is made better use of the space and made it easier from a staffing perspective to take care of our patients."

The new trauma room is large and allows for many people in the area. Porat said when an accident occurs there

are a lot of people who may be playing a role at the scene. Along with a patient, there may be a couple of doctors, nurses and perhaps STARS or local ambulance personnel. The new trauma room will allow them to move around comfortably making the task at hand easier to do.

Before renovations were done and if there was an emergency, patients were brought through the main entrance and transporting them to be X-rayed meant a trip through the hospital.

The new location of the room is one of its most important features. Ambulance staff can bring accident victims down a private corridor and straight to the trauma room. Equipment like the X-Ray machine are just a room away and a new nursing station gives nurses a visual of what is going on in the area.

Improvements have also been made for others affected by the accident. Porat said

there wasn't a proper waiting area beforehand. Now a waiting room separated from the trauma room allows people to wait properly while work is being done. It includes a private waiting area for family members who may need privacy.

The Didsbury Hospital receives a high percentage of patients who need trauma-related care. Approximately 10 per cent of all patients are likely to utilize the new room.

Variables like being close to a major highway contribute to the unusually high rate of patients that require trauma or emergency care.

The renovations are foreshadowing major changes that will happen to the Didsbury Hospital. The auxiliary hospital will eventually be replaced with a \$6 million grant from the Alberta government. That project could start as early as this year. In the meantime equipment is being moved and set up at the

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hospital over a period of time to allow hospital workers to carry on with their duties while changes are being made.

The \$100,000 needed for the upgrades to the trauma room came directly from the Health Authority 5 budget.

Didsbury RCMP make arrests in vehicle break-ins

by Richard Westlund

Didsbury RCMP have made arrests in relation to two vehicle break-in sprees including one in November that saw 19 vehicles broken into in one neighbourhood in one night.

On Nov. 8, 2001, residents

from a Didsbury neighbourhood woke up to find their vehicle windows had been smashed and valuables stolen. Investigation revealed access to the vehicles was a combination breaking windows and prying car doors open.

Nineteen-year-old Cory

Freeborn and one young offender have been charged with 19 counts of willful damage, eight counts of theft and seven counts of possession of stolen property.

Freeborn is also facing charges from an incident that occurred on Aug. 23, along with

three young offenders, where again numerous vehicles were broken into in Carstairs, Crossfield, Didsbury, Olds and Bowden.

Entry was gained by breaking windows or prying open doors and suspects stole seatcovers, stereos, CDs and

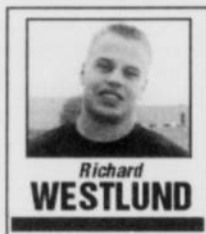
cash.

Freeborn has already made one court appearance and will go to trial on Feb. 12.

In a press release the Didsbury RCMP credited and thanked the public with information that lead to the arrests of the above individuals.

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

Provincial government will have to take a role in teachers strike



Richard
WESTLUND

Talks have broken off and a teacher's strike could be imminent.

Chinook's Edge School Division looks like it is ready for teachers to strike as they sent home a letter outlining what students are going to need to do should the teachers vote to strike.

The letter states that the school division is still working towards avoiding a strike, but

the letter tells parents that a strike is very possible and could happen soon.

Everytime a strike occurs, emotions run high. If it is a long strike teachers will become frustrated as will the school board and parent and perhaps students knowing that everyday the strike continues is another day into their summer vacation.

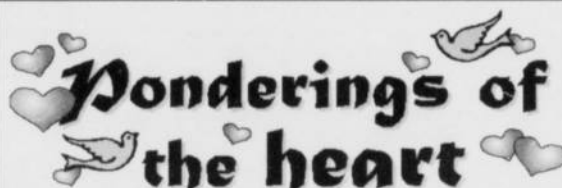
Nobody wins when there is a strike vote, especially not the students. And nobody wants a strike to happen either. Of the teachers I have talked to, all have said they don't want to go on strike. And the school division certainly wants the teachers to stay where they belong.

So who is to blame for the strike? There is another player that needs to take a share of the blame and that is the provincial government. The Alberta PCs have made some moves that have made teachers upset. In 2001 they handed down a set amount of money to school boards to apply towards teachers' salaries.

While putting money towards the issue seems like a generous offer, they took a lot of clout away from the school board and immediately turned the issue into a provincial one.

The Klein government said recently that we need to tighten our belts because there are uncertain times ahead. Yet they voted themselves a raise contradicting their message.

The government will eventually have to take over the issue as local talks have failed. In the end it is the province that will have to come up with the money.



The Spirit of Christmas

by Margaret Fradley

A new year lies before us, our trees, lights and decorations have been carefully stored away for yet another year. Our cards have been read and safely stored away, carols are silenced and "Auld Lang Syne" has been laid aside for another year.

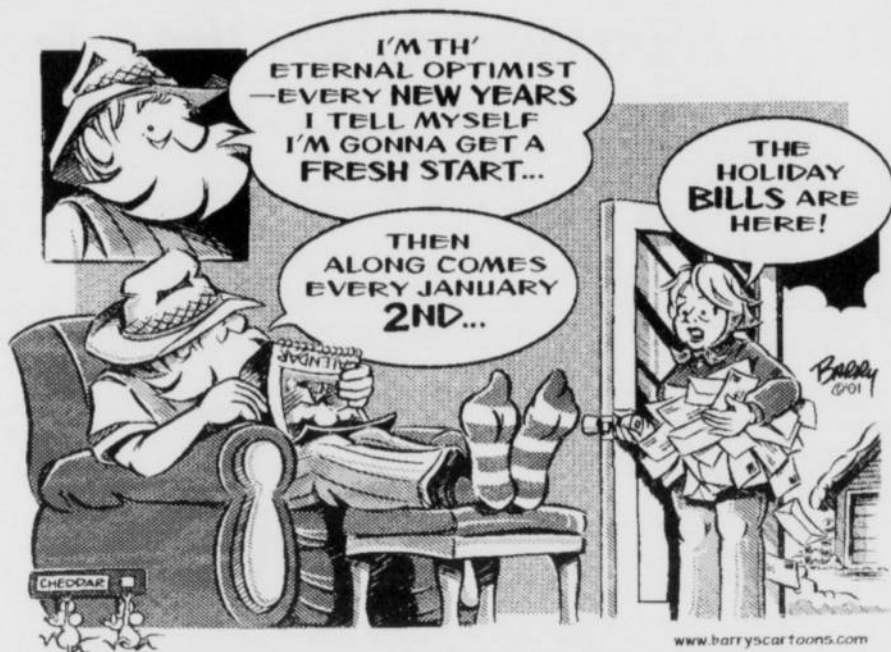
There is an element of sadness, of nostalgia, remembering the special times spent with family and friends. These memories too can be stored away in our 'Memory Banks'.

On the other hand, there is also a challenge before us, an opportunity of keeping that precious Christmas spirit alive. The spirit of love, generosity, giving should remain in our hearts and lives throughout the year.

We are reminded the food bank still needs restocking, the sick and lonely still need our visits.

Along with our warm memories of our Christmas and the fun of welcoming in the New Year, let us take up the challenge, be sensitive each day to the many ways we can show others that we want to keep that 'Spirit of Christmas' alive.

God bless you all.



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Further to garbage, pollution and waste

By Gordon Wray

It was a very interesting & poignant message that Robert Austin passed on a couple of weeks back in the Didsbury Review. The main message on the creation of garbage, recycling & general pollution, was that it is up to You & Me as CARING INDIVIDUALS to do whatever is available & necessary to reduce our great waste & pollution on Earth. It is not up to somebody else; only you & me as a nation of individual souls can accomplish this.

I wish to address the waste of a non-renewable product of MOTHER EARTH & the inherent pollution produced by it's production & use. As well the garbage generated from it's plastic containers & used oil filters. I speak on this subject with 40 years experience in the use of, waste of disposal of this product. That entails growing up on a farm operating machinery & vehicles from the age of 15. I have continued operating in the farming, trucking & construction industries for the past 38 years, as well as being trained in the mechanical repair & service of same. About 14 years ago I had an awakening of sorts, by being introduced to a group of products that allowed me to greatly reduce my use of lubricating oils & filters, fuels of all types & the pollution of yours & mine LIFE SUPPORTING SYSTEM, the air we breathe.

The product I was introduced to is, LONG LASTING SYNTHETIC LUBRICANTS, FINER FILTRATION & FUEL ADDITIVES. With combined use of these Amsoil Inc. products, I operate my vehicles, trucks & equipment for at least 1 full year. That's 12 months on "1" oil change while using less oil filters & greatly reducing my exhaust emissions & air pollution. I also use many fewer plastic oil containers that fill our landfills & produce much less used oil that should be delivered to your local recycle tank. Yes, Synthetic Oils can be recycled & used again.

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cause these are the only type of oils that work in this application. These products from Amsoil have been available for use in vehicles, farm & heavy equipment & leisure equipment for the past 30 years. Since that time all major oil companies have come out with their own line of synthetic lubes. But there is not one among them that warrants or advocates the extended drain or service interval as Amsoil has. Why, I always ask & can only arrive at the logical conclusion of unbridled corporate greed for your 's & mine hard earned dollars, while disregarding completely the waste pollution of our dear MOTHER EARTH.

Now lets take one example; the Canadian family with your average 2 vehicles that amass an average total of 30,000 km. per year. This requires 6 oil & filter changes at 5 L. per for a total of 30 L. of oil while throwing 30 plastic bottles in the garbage. They also consume an average of 3,600 L. of fuel. Multiply this by 2 million Canadian families & you get 60,000,000 L. of oil & 60,000,000 empty plastic bottles. It also means burning of & pollution from 7,200,000,000 L. of fuel. Lets now change that same family over to Amsoil Synthetics, finer filtration that only needs changing every 6 months, & fuel additives that increase fuel mileage while greatly reducing air pollution. This requires only two 5 L. oil changes plus 2 L. for the 6 month filter change which means only 4 oil filters. Because synthetic oils reduce mechanical friction loss & with the use of fuel additives, this family gets 10% better fuel mileage. So this family uses only 3240 L. of fuel. Multiply all this by 2,000,000 Canadian families gives you 24,000,000 L. of oil & plastic bottles, for a gross savings of 36,000,000 L. of oil & bottles. Fuel use is only 6,480,000,000 L. for a total savings of 720,000,000 L. of fuel. Which also means many less tones of toxic gases put into the Earth's atmosphere. Consider the dollar savings on that fuel at .54 per L. & you Canadians could save \$388,800,000.



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Recycling is not just the consumers responsibility

Dear Editor:

When moving to Didsbury from Calgary I told myself that I was going to make a commitment to recycling. I did a bit in the city but in Didsbury I was going to do better. I believe I have. In response to one of the articles in the Didsbury Review dated December 19, 2001, "Is recycling our garbage worth the bother?" I would have to say, "YES!" There is a second part to this question though. Is it only the consumer's responsibility? The answer to this would have to be "NO."

Stores need to get into the act! A few stores around town trying to recycle are the Didsbury Household Thrift Store and Ag Foods. The Thrift Store is a recycle center! Ever needed another glass coffee pot for the coffee maker or wanted to get rid of that couch that is still in good condition? AG has a box for plastic bags and egg cartons. I use some nylon bags that Co-

op use to sell and if you use them when you were shopping you received \$.03/bag used off your purchase. This was a good incentive to the plastic bag problem and you didn't just have to use them for Co-op. If I am doing some shopping, I try to stuff a couple of these bags in my pocket. They are a bit stronger than those plastic bags plus I am saving myself from a bag and saving the store that extra cost for a bag. Maybe the town could put together a bag and have it available to tourists and town residents.

Towns, cities, corporate companies and their customers/partners need to get together and see what else can be re-used or re-cycled. It is one thing for a town to say, "Let's recycle", but it's another thing to actually do it. Most in-town or city parks now include recycle bins for pop cans, bottles and juice boxes. What a great way to get a bit of extra cash back to the

school, park or even campground. As for corporations, what happens to those film canisters? I know some of mine have screws and bits of this and that, but how many can one have? Can the film developer companies not take those back? Another item of concern are those margarine containers. It has been said that you should not microwave food in these containers due to the plastic ingredients. I freeze soup servings & the odd garden veggie but will microwave the contents in a different container. They are also handy for crafts & paints, but once again how many can one have? When grocery shopping I consider the product I am buying by the package it is sold in. Is it recyclable?

Our 1,800 sq. ft. house occupies two adults and two dogs. I can keep our garbage to only having to use ONE garbage can full per week. We recycle all

cardboard, tin, newspaper, other paper, bottles and plastics, milk jugs, and clear glass. We also compost coffee grounds, all peelings, fruit & veggies that have gone bad, and egg shells.

This makes wonderful black soil rich in nutrients ready for garden planting in a couple of years. In the fall we cover our perennials with the leaves that have fallen or take them down to the farm and put around the shelterbelt trees. In the spring we rake them under the Spruce and Pine trees for added fertilizer and nutrients. The Christmas wrap that is still usable for next year gets folded up & stored in a box as does the ribbons & bows. The tree ends up beside the rose garden. This adds a place for the birds and the needles that drop off the tree adds nutrients back to the soil. When spring comes and the tree is a bit of an eye sore amongst the greenery, it gets

broken down and chipped or used for firewood.

Things have come a long way in the last few years in regards what one can recycle or re-use. The frozen juice containers. Can they be rinsed out and separated into tin and cardboard? How about the vinegar containers?

They feel similar to the milk jugs. We need to be educated and updated!

It takes a bit of room, separate bins for each item and I usually make a run to the recycling every second week or so but I keep thoughts in the back of my head of Kootenay Lake BC, the oceans, and to go as far as over seas to the Great Barrier Reef, rainforests in Canada, Australia, or any where else in the world, and I think Wow! I want to see these places around for a long time!

Hoping Didsbury will keep recycling!

J. Fornier

Public and media know little about ambulance service

Dear Editor:

It was brought to my attention by our staff recently about how little the media and the residents know about their local Emergency Medical (Ambulance) Service.

(Recently) an accident occurred where a person was seriously injured. A First Responder on scene treated and cared for the patient until EMS and Fire arrived. That entire team (the first responder, the fire department and the ambulance service) cared for that patient's most immediate life

threatening needs. The paramedics on scene, based on their level of knowledge and training, were able to determine the severity of this patient's condition, provide advanced life support treatment and called for the assistance of STARS (Shock Trauma Air Rescue Society). STARS responded quickly to our request and the patient was transported expeditiously to a trauma facility that could further care for their injuries.

This is called the Chain of Survival, from the activation of

your own community resources, EMS & Fire to the transportation services provided by STARS. Your local Paramedics provided the advance life support care this patient needed on-scene and STARS provided the transportation and the supportive care enroute.

What really disturbed me about this information that I received was that it is apparent that neither the media nor the community knows what it is we do or how we do it. In the situation I described: above, it was perhaps assumed that, because STARS was called, they were the instigators of this pa-

tient's immediate care. Such was not the case. Yes, STARS did play a critical role in the Chain of Survival for this patient, but it was the immediate actions and care given by your local Paramedics that gave this patient his best chance for a favorable outcome.

What I realized from this event was how little the community knows about their local Ambulance Service and the care that it provides. Throughout the next several weeks the staff, and myself, at Mountain View Regional Emergency Services will contribute articles to better inform you.

Some of the topics that we will address for you include; the level of training and knowledge that Paramedics have, the type of health services which can be expected from a Paramedic ambulance service, how payment is made for ambulance services, and why STARS is sometimes called to the scene of an accident. If you have a specific issue you would like us to address, please contact our office at (403) 335-3311 and ask for Lyle, Nick or Cindy.

Lyle McKellar, EMT-P
Executive Director
Mountain View Regional
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Reader questions comment made by Councillors

Dear Editor:

As a resident of the Chinook Winds Lodge in Carstairs I was puzzled by the article in the Dec. 5, 2001 paper.

Where did Dave Derksen and Van Arnem get the idea from that the increase in the rent I pay may be earmarked for the Didsbury Lodge and that it looks like building on the backs of seniors? What could be the cause of such unfounded utterances?

The news media has for the last several months told how buildings in Calgary have caused illness due to poor ventilation and air quality to the point of having to vacate occupants. We have also heard how the County of Mountain View head office building has been found to have poor ventilation and air quality. Could that have had some effect on anyone with a low resistance to pollutants?

Should the County ratepayers who voted overwhelmingly against a new building feel a twinge of remorse for what may have been wrought by their actions?

May all who read this letter to the Editor be HEALTHY, happy and prosperous in this new year.

Ele From

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TOWN OF DIDSBURY PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Regular Council: January 23, 2002
- Corporate Services: February 12, 2002
- MPC: January 16, 2002
- Community Services: January 29, 2002

A "Meet the Taxpayer" open house will be held in Council Chambers on January 7, 2002 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Come out and discuss your issues with your Elected Officials.

YEAR IN REVIEW 2001

Regional ambulance service starts in January

New Ambulance Service
As the clock struck 12 and the old year was dismissed, the newly formed Mountain View Regional Ambulance Service was launched into action. And it was a busy beginning.

In the first four days of operation the regional ambulance service had 20 calls. Executive Director Lyle McKellar said the crew rose to the challenge of getting the new entity off the ground.

Gun Owners turn in firearms
The Didsbury RCMP received a surge of individuals turning in firearms after the Jan. 1 deadline for gun-owners needing a firearms li-

cense. Sergeant Ron Platz said the number of people dropping of firearms was significantly up. Guns brought into the station were destroyed.

Seventh Annual Farm and Ranch Bonspiel
The seventh annual farmers bonspiel was once again a resounding success as over 100 curlers representing 36 different rinks made it out to the rink for a week at the beginning of January for some friendly competition.

Organizer Harry Reese said the event once again succeeded in bringing local people together in a social atmosphere.

Couple tells School Board Lord's Prayer discriminates
The Chinook's Edge School Division board received a presentation from a Bowden area couple who wanted to see policy changed where the Lord's Prayer was involved.

Corrine Dueck and Art Reesor appeared in front of the board to air their distaste towards the policy that endorsed the use of patriotic and religious exercises in the morning. Exemptions were made for students of minority religions but Dueck said it wasn't enough. She said the board was highlighting one religion over others.

MP appointed as Organized Crime Critic
Opposition Leader Stockwell Day announced the Official Opposition's Shadow Cabinet for the 37th Parliament in January and Wildrose MP Myron Thompson was named Chief Critic responsible for organized crime. The local MP said incidents involving organized crime were becoming more frequent and that the issue needed to be taken up by politicians.

Didsbury couple scratches \$50,000 lotto ticket
A Didsbury couple had a lucky start to the New Year when they scratched a \$50,000 ticket. Dave and Sara

Jo Pettis rang in the New Year on a winning note when friend Tim Hall of Bowden gave them a ticket as a gift.

The winning ticket was purchased at the Hi-Ho Gas and Grocery in Didsbury.

Town Centre idea pitched to Councillors
Lance Plewis told Town Council it must decide whether it wants a parking lot or a park to fill the vacant space next to the Train Station.

Plewis accompanied by his wife Linda, told of a plan to obtain a CP Rail Grant and build a new Town centrepiece for the lot that remains vacant.

MP's attendance at February meeting draws fire

County Council concerned about Lodge Funding
The idea of a new seniors lodge in Didsbury got a cold reaction from County Councillors in February when C.A.O. of the then Mountain View Management Board, Doreen Wilson reiterated a need for the facility. Wilson gave a presentation to Council about Didsbury's higher than normal population percentage and the growing waiting list numbers for local lodges but Council seemed dismayed about being requisitioned for any of the costs citing that it was the province's responsibility. "Our concern is that the province is downloading that responsibility to us," said Reeve Ian Harvie.

Separatism is not the answer, says MP
Thompson Wild Rose MP Myron Thompson sparked a national controversy when he and fellow MP Darrell Stinson attended the founding meeting of the Alberta Independence Party in Red Deer. Thompson defended his at-

tendance saying that he will attend any meeting that he feels is relevant to his constituents.

Province announces meningitis campaign
It was announced that Didsbury would be included in a province-wide meningitis immunization campaign in February. Following a campaign that saw students in Calgary get the shots, the province announced a provincial campaign would start in April.

Olds teacher announces she will represent Liberals

in provincial election
Gayleen Roelfsema, a Social Studies and English teacher at Olds High School was acclaimed in February as the local Liberal candidate. Roelfsema was approached about running in the local constituency against incumbent Richard Marz and said she made up her mind to go ahead with the process in mid-January.

Local church group endorses Lord's Prayer in schools
The St. Cyprian's Anglican Church Women wrote a letter to the Chinook's Edge School Board expressing their desire to keep the prayer in local schools. The board heard a presentation the month before from a Bowden area couple who wanted to see the policy changed so that the Lord's Prayer would not be included

in the opening exercises.

Truck hits stationary train at local crossing
A truck carrying two people travelling south on highway 766 collided with a stationary train on Feb. 19 at a crossing three kilometres north of highway 582. Didsbury RCMP responded to a call placed at 8:14 p.m. when a pickup truck ran into a section of black railroad cars blocking the road.

Both passengers of the vehicle were taken to Olds hospital where they were treated for minor injuries and released.

Alberta is ready for change - ND candidate
New Democrat candidate Brenda Dyck said she was getting a warmer than expected reception in a riding that was traditionally supportive of the PCs.

Marz wins MLA seat in local riding again in March

Waymore employee murdered at home in Bowden
Christopher Dean Rataushk, 32, of Bowden appeared in Didsbury Provincial Court, March 5, to face charges of second degree murder following the death of his roommate, Timothy Frasch, 21. Olds RCMP were called to a disturbance at Frasch's home, in the Bowden Trailer Park at approximately 11:30 p.m. Saturday night, said Cst. Randy Yaschuk. Olds RCMP. Police arrived at the residence and Rataushk was found near the residence. He was arrested without incident.

Third time's a charm: Conservative landslide victory
The Alberta Progressive Conservatives proved undeniably they have the backing of the Alberta people after coasting to their third consecutive majority government.

The party gained 11 more seats than it did in the previous election capturing 74 of the 83 possible ridings. Locally, PC incumbent Richard Marz sailed to a landslide victory crushing his opposition. When the final tally was made Marz had collected 10,553 of the 13,039 votes.

Safehouse application approved by Didsbury MPC
A development permit that will

start the process of bringing a group home to Didsbury was approved unanimously in March. Street Teams/ Safe House Society got the go-ahead to purchase the bed-and-breakfast on 1610-15 Avenue in Didsbury that was turned into a safe haven for troubled teen girls who are seeking to get their lives back on track.

Replica gun found in student's locker at Westglen
A replica of a .45 calibre hand gun was found in the locker of a Westglen student in March prompting the school's principal to write a letter to parents to calm their concerns of safety in the school. Westglen junior high school principal Phil Corning was approached by a student who had heard one of the students say to another student mentioned they had a gun in their locker. The pellet gun was taken to the staff room and the RCMP and the student's parents were called to the school.

Charge against Water Valley man dismissed by judge
A 35-year-old Water Valley man who stabbed another man six times during an altercation on a country road in April was found not guilty. Cameron Oberg faced a

charge of assault with a weapon. The verdict came at the conclusion of his trial and it was deemed by Judge Pepler he had acted in self defence.

Town and County announce intentions of working together
The Town of Didsbury and Mountain View County announced in March a plan to work together to investigate "all potential opportunities related to the municipal shared services" at a joint press conference held in Town of Didsbury Council Chambers.

Foot-and-mouth disease changes field trip policy
Chinook's Edge School Board approved mandatory procedures for overseas school field trips to countries that were experiencing foot-and-mouth disease. Field trips that were already planned for the Easter break had to conform to safety measures to prevent the spread of the disease to Canada.

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YEAR IN REVIEW 2001

Lack of April showers concern farmers in 2001

Spring moisture lacking at the beginning of planting season Despite a heavy snowfall in the winter Didsbury farmers were hoping for rain as they experienced an unusually dry planting season. A three-day snow fall began on April 1 but some farmers were left wondering if it was going to be enough.

School board holds special field trip meeting In response to concerns expressed by the community regarding local overseas field trips during the Easter holiday period, the Chinook's Edge School Board held a special meeting to re-examine the issue. "We have been very concerned with the safety of the students while abroad as well as the integrity of our community when they return," said Board Chair Roy Brassard on the purpose of the meeting.

Thirty minute wait for ambulance blamed on cell phone The Mountain View Regional Ambulance Service announced they were conducting an investi-

gation after a Carstairs man had to wait a half hour for an ambulance. The problem was blamed on the 9-1-1 service and not the local emergency service. When 9-1-1 was dialled on the cell-phone the call went to Calgary and dispatched their ambulance rather than through Red Deer and to the local service.

Didsbury Trade Show once again a success Businesses came together to one location to display their wares and once again the people came. The final tally of people at the event was 3,375, and although the number was down slightly, the Trade Fair committee was happy with the turnout. Also happy were the exhibitors of the event. Comment received from most people that shelled out for a booth was positive and that they would be back the following year.

Town Council approves Waste Commission proposal Town Council approved a proposal put forth by the Mountain View Regional Solid Waste Commis-

sion at a special Council meeting held April 10 to put a Class three (dry) landfill established at what was the existing landfill site.

Mayor Lea announces he will not seek re-election After serving the Town of Didsbury as mayor for nine years, Ray Lea announced he would not seek re-election in the fall. Lea made the announcement at the April 18 council meeting. During his tenure with the Town, Lea dedicated 14-25 hours a week to his duties as mayor - a fact that he considered essential as part of carrying out the job in a successful manner.

County forced to remove \$305,000 from budget After being presented with a budget that was \$305,000 in the hole, County Council was forced to adopt changes to bring the numbers into line. Council sat down with the budget that was described as a work in progress and passed a balanced budget the following day.

Community leaders honoured in May at breakfast

Mayor's Prayer breakfast celebrates community leadership

The fourth annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast attracted a full house as community leaders were celebrated for their efforts on behalf of their community. The breakfast, which featured Her Honour Lt. Governor Lois Hole, focused on various leaders of government and the people's appreciation of the job they do to help meet the challenges the community faces.

Counterfeit money a problem in Didsbury RCMP were

seeking help from the community in May in their fight against those producing and passing counterfeit bills. In a Business Watch Bulletin the RCMP announced that local business had received funny money and listed the serial numbers of the copied bills. Sgt. Ron Platz said it was a problem that had been getting worse over the past few years.

Motorcyclist killed near Didsbury overpass A 72-year-old Calgary male was killed when his northbound motorcycle slammed into an

unattended parked car near the Didsbury overpass. Road and weather conditions were excellent at the time of the accident.

Chinook's Edge looks at smaller class sizes Chinook's Edge School Division made time in their agenda to look at preparing a budget that would reflect a reduction in class sizes from kindergarten to Grade 3 but at the meeting decided to include a broader focus.

After two Alberta-based research studies related student achieve-

ment to class sizes and the Chinook's Edge Board took the opportunity to discuss the possibility of having fewer students in each classroom.

Solid Waste agreement finished after 11th draft After creating 11 drafts, the Mountain View Regional Solid Waste Commission was finally able to get all municipalities on board. It wasn't an easy task for the then Solid Waste Authority.

Continually the agreement was sent back to the group because the Town or the County had a prob-

lem with funding issues.

Didsbury High School receives above average marks from Fraser Institute Despite falling two-percent in their overall rating in the Fraser Institute's Report Card on Schools, Didsbury High School remained well-above the provincial average. Didsbury High finished 93rd out of 276 schools in the province with a rating of 6.7 out of 10.

The provincial average was 6 out of 10. Overall Chinook's Edge Schools did well in the evaluation. Eight of the 10 schools

had a rating over the provincial average.



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Local schools receive funding in June

Town tables motion to suspend talks with County Didsbury Town Council tabled a motion at their regular council meeting to see what would develop from their scheduled meeting with the County regarding joint initiatives such as recreation. A motion reading "in light of the recent decision made by Mountain View County Council regarding its recreation policy and funding, that Didsbury Town Council suspend discussion and review their position regarding participation in joint projects with the County" was tabled to the next meeting to see what came from a meeting between the two parties later that month.

Cremona teenager mourned after tragic accident Two members of the Chinook's Edge Crisis Intervention team were on hand to help Cremona school students deal with the loss of their Grade 11 classmate Kathleen Black, 17. Black was driving eastbound on 20th St. near Didsbury campground, less than 500 metres from the hospital, when she appeared to lose control of the vehicle she was driving rolling into the North ditch

June 8.

DHS and Ross Ford receive funding for modernization Two school modernization projects were approved by the province for Didsbury under the New Century Schools Plan. Chinook's Edge learned in June that Didsbury High School and Ross Ford Elementary School had received funds from the province for significant upgrades.

Volunteers celebrated for their commitment Teenagers that found time to give to others were honoured at the Didsbury Hospital in June. The Volunteer program of Didsbury held their year-end awards ceremony in the basement of the Ward 4 building as organizers thanked the 17 youth volunteers that took part in the program during the year. Melynda Schmidt was named the Volunteer of the Year.

Man convicted in death of two Didsbury residents A Didsbury man was convicted in the drunk driving deaths of two local people killed in a two-vehicle motor vehicle accident in 1999. Darrin James Page was found guilty of two counts of impaired driving causing death and one

count of impaired driving causing bodily harm. Page was convicted following a jury trial in Calgary.

RCMP detachment celebrated at grand opening After much wait and anticipation the new RCMP detachment was finally celebrated. The pub-

lic got its first chance to tour the facility from top to bottom during a grand opening celebration held near the end of June. RCMP detachment members worked in the building since the beginning of the year.

County announces it will go ahead with

new building Mountain View County narrowly approved a motion that would see them proceed with plans to construct an administration building.

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Water restrictions placed on Didsbury in July

County raises fine for contravening events by-law County Council decided to take a stronger stance against those who would contravene their events by-law. Council wanted to put a \$50,000 penalty in their by-law and passed a motion to do so. They had to backtrack however when they learned they were only allowed to fine up to \$10,000 under the Municipal Government Act. The County went ahead with the stiffest penalty they were allowed to enforce.

Level two water restriction placed on Didsbury A level two water restriction was placed on Didsbury in July. Under the restriction residents could not water their lawns at all and limits were placed on the sale of bulk water as well as a limit that was placed on industry. The move came after the Town was placed on a level one restriction which meant lawns could only be watered on alternate days.

Management Board fights for casino license The Mountain View Management Board was playing

a game of hurry-up and wait after writing a letter to the Minister of Gaming Ron Stevens. At the end of June the local group, which was trying to raise money for a new seniors lodge in Didsbury, had their appeal regarding the use of casino and raffle tickets turned down by the province. Earlier in the year they were denied licenses because the group is under ministerial order and has the ability to requisition local municipalities.

Didsbury area hay crops predicted to be down significantly Hay crops will not yield their normal numbers in the Didsbury area because of a lack of rain this year predicted a Forage Specialist in July. Gordon Hutton, who works for Alberta Agriculture out of an Olds office, said while farmers would get crops off the field in 2001 they would come away with significantly less than they usually would. Hutton said it was unlikely farmers would be able to make two cuts.

Town Council rescinds Development Incentives policy Didsbury Town Council rescinded their Development Incentives policy retroactive to January 1. In order to be able to negotiate with businesses on a case by case basis, Council voted unanimously to remove the policy that was put in place in July 1995. Planning and Development Officer Robert Wigg said the Town was restricted by the old policy.

Recreation issue hits County Council chamber again Mountain View County Council was presented with a draft policy for recreation and culture grants that would replace the Recreation Funding Policy and reflects the parameters approved by Council at the May 23 meeting. Council decided to address the issue at their August meeting to give municipalities a chance to look at the new draft. When the policy was originally released in May, many urban municipalities were upset that their request to put the decision off for a month was voted down.

Parasite affects eight local residents in August

Parasite infects at least eight local residents At least eight people in the Didsbury and Carstairs area have contracted a parasite that causes diarrhea, stomach cramps and low-grade fever. The *Cryptosporidium* parasite, which was eventually linked to the Didsbury Aquatic Centre, made national headlines and scared local residents enough to buy bottled water at the local supermarket. It was the same infection that made hundreds of people sick in North Battleford Saskatchewan earlier in the year.

Carstairs Arena finally comes crashing down After 50 years of serving that Carstairs area the Carstairs Memorial Arena was finally sent crashing to the ground. In less than three hours a demolition crew consisting of two pieces of modern machinery reduced the landmark to piles of rubble that were later sorted for salvage. The demolition attracted many onlookers who wanted one last glimpse of the old arena.

Chamber seeks information through survey The Didsbury and District Chamber of Commerce conducted a survey in August hoping to revive the local organization. One hundred and fifty six questionnaires were handed out to local businesses so business owners could have their say on a variety of issues related to growth in Didsbury.

'Reimer Wall' comes down The concrete structure known as the Reimer Wall was knocked down in August so that it could be replaced by a chain-link fence. "The developer and the Town came to the agreement to remove the structure and replace it," said Planning and Development Officer Robert Wigg. "The fence didn't turn out the way it was envisioned and we came to an agreement it wouldn't be suitable."

Derksen tells County to compensate landowners Councillor Dave Derksen went to bat for two County land owners who have been having trouble

growing crops off land the County used as gravel pits. The Kohut and Eckel gravel pits had been reclaimed by previous landowners but crops have not caught on the land like they have in past years. Derksen brought up other instances where the County had compensated and said he believed this was an applicable case.

County Council uneasy about ILO issue After voting to postpone discussion about the province taking over responsibility of intensive livestock operations, Council finally waded into the issue at the end of August at their regular Council meeting. Councillors expressed disappointment that the province was taking away an area they were responsible for and had concerns about what that would mean for the County in the future.

Didsbury mourns Sept. 11 victims

Attacks on America Even though the attacks happened on the other side of the continent Didsbury was affected.

The local school system acted accordingly and put its support staff and liaison workers on alert as individual student may have needed the support. Some principals in the Chinook's Edge School Division sent letters home to parents to help them explain the situation to their children.

The Town of Didsbury created a condolence book that was sent to New York City filled with messages of hope and sorrow. Flags around Town were dropped to half mast as those who lost their lives were remembered.

Local businesses tried to raise money for victims, as did the local fire department and American flags became common place on town streets.

And then there were people who grew up locally that were in the thick of things. Jonelle Fenton, a Cremona graduate, saw the second World Trade Centre tower collapse from where she worked and Anita Reimer, who grew up in Didsbury, saw the aftermath - a city that has been characterized as being unfeeling turn into a community of hope.

Fire bans The dry weather that hampered crops all year also wrecked havoc on campers and farmers that wanted to use controlled burns. On two different occasions Mountain View County banned all fires as the lack of moisture made just about everything a fire hazard.

Foodgrains Project survives drought year Farmers once again came together to harvest 80 acres of barley at Dave Epp's Farm for the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Five combines and approximately 15 volunteers hit the field and harvested a crop that was donated to needy people in other parts of the world.

School division purchases provincial building Chinook's Edge School Division agreed to purchase the provincial building to gain more space in Innisfail in September, which it was leasing. Trustees unanimously approved the decision last Wednesday after learning of the offer from the province. The price of the building was \$480,000. The building was appraised at \$925,000.

Resident learn they will have say on proposed County building County Council approved a deci-

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YEAR IN REVIEW 2001

Didsbury chooses new Town Council in October

Election results are in The big news in October was the fall municipal election. Didsbury knew it would have a new mayor as Ray Lea made the decision not to run again and in the end it was Dorothy Moore beating Gordon Quantz for the post. Candidates receiving Town Councillor positions were Cheryl Dahl, Clem Kuelker, Harry Penner, Don Watt, Judy Kaupp and Gary Dolha.

A new Council was also selected for Mountain View County. Dave Derksen, Ron Richardson, Linda Burrell, Charlie Van Arnam, Pat James and Ian Harvie were all voted in. Harvie was named Reeve by the other Councillors.

There were no changes to the school board. All those who ran were able to get in again, but four were not contested. And in the first ever health authority election local businessman Grant Hemming earned a spot on the board.

Didsbury targeted by White Nationalists in literature campaign Didsbury was targeted, along with other Alberta Centres to receive literature regarding the terrorist attacks on the United States. Anti-Semitic leaflets were distributed during the Thanksgiving weekend entitled, "Let's stop being human shields for Israel" by the National Alliance in Canada organization.

County building decision will be adhered to, say Councillors It was a decision that caused mixed emotion and one that was not without controversy, but after the tally of over 3,000 votes, local rural residents voted resoundingly 74 per cent against the plans for a new County municipal building.

Investigators trying to determine cause of forest blaze Provincial fire investigators were looking into a 'suspicious' expansion of the Dogrib Creek forest fire on Oct. 13. On that day - three days before

the fire broke out of containment and tore through 11,130 hectares of timber - there was what officials called an excursion at the fire.

Town receives \$624,152 in ICAP grants Infrastructure Canada announced in October funding to 71 projects across Alberta - four of them in Didsbury.

Full house at Carstairs Arena Grand Opening Hundreds of people packed the new Carstairs Memorial Arena to celebrate the facilities Grand Opening. Exhibition games of hockey and ringette were played including the Calgary Flames Alumni team.


Waste Commission bills for after hours dumping The Mountain View Regional Waste Commission billed several individuals for the cleanup of garbage that was disposed of outside the gates of the Water Valley Waste Management Site. Illegal and after hours disposal of garbage at the Water Valley site has been a constant problem.

Ground broke for lodge in Nov.

Closure of Didsbury's landfill pegged at \$500,000 Preliminary budget numbers presented to the Town of Didsbury were in the neighbourhood of a half million dollars. According to a written update passed out at a Town Council meeting the hefty price tag was more than the Town was expecting to pay for the service. The Town had to shut down the landfill site because licenses for Class II landfill sites are no longer being handed out by the province.

Ground officially broke for lodge project An official ground-breaking took place in front of the Didsbury Hospital in October as the Mountain View Management Board unearthed the first bit of clay where the lodge will eventually sit. "This sod-turning is just the beginning. There will be many more events like this in the future," said Al Martin of Health Authority 5 who was on hand during the sod turning.

Bull-rider listed critical after ride went wrong A 26-year-old Didsbury man was listed critically injured after a violent bull ride at the Canadian Finals Rodeo in Edmonton. Greg Whitlow was sent to University Hospital after a black bull, named Lights Out, head butted him knocking him unconscious and then stepping on him. Since the accident Whitlow has continuously improved.



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A Korean student meets with her host family after arriving at Olds Koinonia school last week.

Olds Koinonia Christian School welcomes Korean classmates

by April C.D. Barton

Olds Koinonia Christian School experienced a temporary increase in enrolment this January when a Korean tour group of 26 students came to class.

The students from Seoul, Korea, ages nine to 17 years of age, are on a two-week Canadian cultural and educational tour and are focusing their attention on Central Alberta. Chaperoned by Mr. Jung, an employee with Far East Broadcasting Company who has directed similar tours for seven years, the students will be billeted out to OKCS families and will attend classes for the first two weeks of January.

According to Kathy Pauly, OKCS Librarian and one of the major tour organizers within the school, both students and staff have been looking forward to the Korean students' arrival.

"I think it will be a wonderful experience for our students to be able to interact with students from another culture. This is a first for OKCS, and we're very excited about it!"

Olds Koinonia Christian School was apparently chosen for the tour by Mr. Jung after being impressed with OKCS' website on the internet and the school was inspected by local representative, Pat Collins of Olds. A request was made to the school and subsequently OKCS families were questioned about their interest and support required to host such a tour. After overwhelmingly re-

ceiving the go-ahead from Koinonia families and faculty, the tour came together rather quickly.

Fifteen OKCS "home-stay" families will be participating in the program. Korean students will buddy-up with an OKCS student while at school, as well as attend a daily one-hour class in English as a Second Language. As the Korean students have various levels of conversational English, it is hoped the daily classes will directly enhance their understanding of our language, said Mrs. Pauly.

Garry Anderson, OKCS Principal, expects the Korean tour to be a "mutually beneficial" experience.

"We felt it was a good opportunity to help these Korean students experience life here and help them decide if they want to further their studies in Canada, and as well it will expose our kids to their culture. Our students will be studying another culture not just with books, but by being friends with these students."

"Perhaps this will result in some long-term pen-pal friendships and maybe some of these Korean students will even return to complete their education at our school."

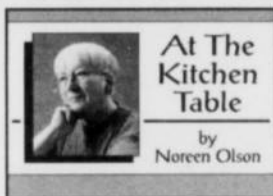
Extracurricular activities such as bowling and curling, and a day-trip to West Edmonton Mall are the only planned activities for the group. The tour will end with a farewell banquet to be hosted by the Korean students.

AT THE KITCHEN TABLE

Being the owner of a cat is confusing sometimes

by Noreen Olson

Spraglet, the cat our daughter Kirsten sent home from Japan, is still with us. She is eight and a half years old and we love her dearly. We assume that she loves us but it's hard to tell with a cat. Cats are natural aristocrats, aloof, independent and self centered. Do they cuddle into your lap for affection or just because it's soft and warm there? When they weave around your ankles and purr is it because they are happy to see you or are they just reminding you that there is some shrimp in the frig? When we have been away, or if she has been outside all day, she tells us long complicated stories about what has happened since our last meeting, but we don't understand Cat language very well so we are never sure whether this is polite conversation, "there was this huge hawk circling in a blue, blue sky



At The
Kitchen
Table

by
Noreen Olson

and while the sparrows were watching him I crept up." Or is she complaining and scolding. "Where have you been and why did you take so long? The miserable dog lay in the garage door and I couldn't get in out of the wind. I need fresh water in my dish and there is a nattering wren in the Tamarack that is driving me mad."

As Spraglet has grown older she has become less tolerant of strangers. When non family members arrive she just disappears. At the family reunion and again when we had Kirsten and Harry's wedding we didn't see her for days. We know

where some of her outdoor "safe places" are and in the house we know that she hides in the box spring of our bed, the top shelf of my closet, and in the basement on an old quilted bedspread that I use to cover plants. On about December 10th, when I reached down the box of Christmas wrapping paper I discovered one more hiding place.

The wrapping paper box is a big one because like most of the people I know I have been saving wrapping paper for decades. There are several reasons for this, we think we are conserving natural resources, wrapping paper is expensive, we hate to waste anything, the paper is pretty and our Mothers and Grandmothers did it. The box was heavy as usual but when I opened it seemed only about half full. Wisps of tissue paper and bits of fluffy cat hair floated out around my feet. I closed the box and reached for the new

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rolls that I bought on sale last January.

Ever since the wedding there has been a big basket of paper and ribbon crowding the office. I also have a large box of used birthday paper and old comics because we usually wrap family gifts in the funnies. Some of the Christmas gifts came packed in bubble wrap so I had a bag of that and there were a lot of nice heavy gift bags. Yesterday I hung a large garbage bag over the back of a chair, assembled all the various collections and began to sort.

I wish I could say that I tidied all the paper into one small neat box, sorted the ribbon by

color and length and threw out anything that looked the least bit wrinkled but of course I am not that tough or that efficient. I saved more than I should have and more than I will ever use but at least it's clean and I got rid of the basket in the office. If anyone ever needs four hundred sheets of pretty good tissue paper, ribbon in every color known to man and enough bubble wrap to cushion the contents of a china shop, by gosh I'm ready.

Meanwhile the cat has to find a new place to hide from strangers and I'm going to present all future gifts in those nice reusable gift bags.

LIFESTYLES

AROUND THE CIRCLE

Scouts start bottle drive

by Marge St. Clair

Happy New Year to all my faithful readers, all the Review staff and all the people who keep me up to date on the events of their clubs & organizations, I do appreciate it.

Fridays all winter

If you like to play cards, you are invited to the Eldon Foote Hall at the Train Station for cribbage with play starting at 7:30 p.m. This is a smoke free environment, coffee & goodies are available. There is a charge but you can also win prizes. Come and enjoy the evening.

Sat. Jan. 12

Hopefully you will have a good supply of bottles and cans for the 1st Didsbury Scouting Groups who are having their annual bottle drive today starting at 9:30 a.m. If you can't be at home, please leave them on the steps to be picked up.

Sat. Jan. 12

Have you got your tickets yet to go on the Community Bus to the Provincial Museum? The Didsbury & District Historical Society has arranged this tour of "Exhibits of the 60's", tickets are available at 335-8392 Joan, Denise at 335-9359 or 335-4995.

Sat. Jan. 12

The Mountain View Colts will play the Rimby Team at the Didsbury Arena at 8:00 p.m. Please come and support your team.

Mon. Jan. 14

The monthly meeting of the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce is being held at 7:00 p.m. at the Didsbury Inn Lounge. Please try to attend.

Tues. Jan. 15

This is the morning of the Christian Women's Club breakfast at the 5-0 Centre from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. "Life Choices" is the Theme with special music, special feature and a special speaker. Free babysitting is supplied by the Ladies Club. You can phone Margie 335-3765 or Nancy at 337-3200 for reservations or rides and please remember to honor or cancel or

give your reservation to a friend.

Wed. Jan. 16

There will be a Blood Donor Clinic from 3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the MP Room at the Didsbury Memorial Complex. For an appointment please phone toll free 1-888-236-6283, walk ins are most welcome. The O.O.R.P. Ladies will be glad to see you.

All this week Jan. 7-12, the Farm and Ranch Bonspiel is on at the Didsbury Curling Rink. This is made up of teams of farmers, men and women and business people to form the 44 teams entered this year. The finals, prizes and supper all take place on Sat. Then from Jan. 14-18th, the Seniors Open Bonspiel will be held, if you have not yet entered your team please phone Angus at 335-8241 or Ernie Fredine at 335-3971 or the Rink 335-3661.

Sat. Jan. 26

First notice of a Fun Casino

night at the Didsbury Elks Hall at 8:00 p.m. For tickets and more info phone Jim or Sharon at 335-3481.

The Twelve Days of Christmas

Every day there was a gift, beautifully wrapped with a card on it from the "Street Bandits" Home made shortbread cookies, etc., etc., how thoughtful of these wonderful people to brighten up my days. But how they knew my schedule for floor curling, carpet bowling and bowling so well that not once was I at home, but always came home to find that they had visited, just has my mind reeling.

It is a great topic of conversation and trying to guess who picked me for such an honor is mind-boggling, but I want you to know that I do appreciate your thoughtfulness and hopefully someday someone will let the 'cat out of the bag' so I can thank you properly.

New year starts for Didsbury Outlaws

The Didsbury Outlaws have galloped into another year.

On October 9th we had our first meeting of the year, starting with elections. Katrina Frost was elected as our new president, Julie Stach is vice president, Katie Neufeld secretary, and Kayla Pross as treasurer. A number of reports were given about different activities through out the summer. Our T P R (temperature pulse, respiration) clinic was held on November 8th in Didsbury. Thankyou to Doctors Gord Krebs, Andy Mencarelli, Dennis Nagel, and Annabelle Denson for helping us with this.

November 12th was the date of our 2nd meeting At this time we chose the date of February 17 for our club level public speaking competition. It was also decided we would combine our next meeting and Christmas party on Dec. 8th.

December 8 meeting began in the hogline room at 4 pm. with us collecting the coats and food for the needy people. Several reports were given, then Mrs. Debor gave us very helpful advice on how to do our record books, thanks Mrs. Debor! After the meeting we hit the pool for a swim and a taco supper.

Report given by Marissa Pratt

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Focus on the Family



QUESTION: I'm concerned about the violent content of some children's cartoon shows and the toys and other products connected with them. My husband thinks they're harmless. What's your point of view?

DR. DOBSON: I share your misgivings. There's a trend toward a brand of violence in some of today's cartoons and toys that I see as a dangerous departure from the more traditional combat-type games in which boys have always engaged.

For one thing, the characters tend to be adults involved in adult activities, some of which are highly questionable. I don't think they are appropriate role models for impressionable young children. The settings are mythical or futuristic, and the action often revolves around superstition, sorcery and magic. For these reasons they concern me for spiritual as well as psychological reasons. The electronic media have incredible power to "sell" these dubious heroes and their exploits to our children. Studies have measured actual psychological changes that occur when kids are watching a violent television program or movie: The pulse rate quickens, the eyes dilate, the hands sweat, the mouth goes dry and breathing accelerates. It should be obvious that this kind of "entertainment" has a dramatic emotional impact — especially if it's repeated often enough. And the toys that are marketed as "spin-offs" from such programs serve only to reinforce or extend those negative effects. What's more, there's no balancing positive, healthy or educational component to these products. That's why our organization, Focus on the Family, and others have made major investments in high-quality videos and other materials for children. We must provide alternatives for families that want their kids to have wholesome entertainment but are determined to protect them from the popular culture. We will continue to do what we can to meet that need.

QUESTION: I don't believe kids are as easily influenced by the media and entertainment industry as you say. What they see does not necessarily determine how they behave.

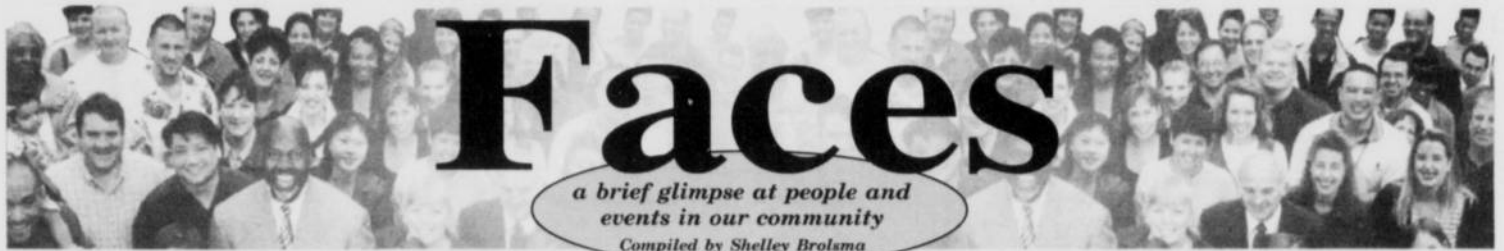
DR. DOBSON: Well, look at it this way. Back in the early '80s, the most popular movie was a science fiction film entitled "E.T." It included a brief scene where the little creature from outer space was given a few pieces of the candy, Reese's Pieces. The brand was not named, but children recognized it during its few seconds on the screen. In the months that followed, the sale of Reese's Pieces went through the ceiling. Isn't that a clear example of a movie's influence on children's thinking? Why do advertisers spend billions of dollars to put their products before the people if what we see and hear does not influence our behavior? Why do schools and colleges purchase textbooks for children and young adults if what they read does not translate into influence of one form or another? Of course children are vulnerable to what they witness! We all are. How much greater impact is made by dramatic, sexually oriented, no-holds-barred musical and theatrical presentations that are aimed at the hearts and souls of our kids? Who are we kidding when we say they are not harmed by the worst of it?

QUESTION: My family and I have been in France for four years, but I'm told I still have a strong accent. My 9-year-old daughter, however, speaks perfect French. How come children can learn a language so much easier than adults?

DR. DOBSON: It is true that children can learn to speak perfect Russian, Chinese, Spanish or any other language used around the world, yet 15 or 20 years later, most people will have a much harder time trying to make those same sounds. Researchers now know why this is true. It's explained by a process known as "phoneme contraction." The larynx of a young child assumes a shape necessary to make any sounds that he or she is learning to use at that time. It then solidifies or hardens in those positions, making it impossible or very difficult to make other sounds later in life. In other words, there's a window of opportunity when anything is possible linguistically, but it closes very quickly. Keep working on your French, even though you'll probably never get rid of your accent.

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Faces

a brief glimpse at people and
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Winter Reflections Skating Competition coming to town



Joyce McCoy

It won't be easy finding a place to park at the Didsbury Arena the weekend of January 18th.

That's when the Didsbury Figure Skating Club will be hosting approximately 250 skaters at their "Winter Reflection Skating Competition."

The long-anticipated event is the first of its kind for many years to be hosted by the Club - a factor that Competition Chair, Joyce McCoy,

says makes it that much more exciting.

"This is the first time in 10 years that we have hosted a competition like this in Didsbury."

"Our Club has been progressively growing each year and we just decided that this year would be a good year to try to take something like this on."

"We actually applied last year and were delighted to find out that we were selected...it's

great for everyone involved."

The annual competition will involve 12 hours per day of skating by athletes 7 - 18 years old.

"It's a zone runoff for provincials," explains McCoy. "...the area involved runs north to Ponoka down to Carstairs and from about Oyen west to the Rockies. There's about 25 different clubs in all."

Among the hundreds of competitors will be 12 skat-

ers from the Didsbury Club. "We are certainly proud to be involved in a meet of this kind. It's great for our Club and great for Didsbury," adds McCoy noting that many of the parents accompanying their child to the event will likely pay a visit to businesses around town.

Anyone interested in volunteering for the Winter Reflections Competition is encouraged to call Joyce McCoy at 335-9861.

Didsbury Postmaster Retires after 40 years of service

One of Didsbury's most prominent federal employees is no longer. As of shortly before Christmas, Postmaster Chris Meyer officially retired from his position as Postmaster at the Didsbury Post Office.

Meyer's long-standing career with Canada Post spans over 40 years beginning when he was 18 years old fresh out of high school. "I applied to Canada Post to work as a Christmas Helper that year and liked it so much I decided to stay on with the corporation and see where it lead me." Meyer says in those days, applicants

were required to write a Civil Service examination as part of the screening process. "It wasn't easy...As I recall it involved a lot of mathematical problems - multiplication, division, and so on."

Once established with Canada Post, Meyer's position in Edmonton evolved to that of Letter Carrier which he held for 25 years.

From there he moved to Standard to work as Postmaster there before taking similar postings in Black Diamond and, finally, Didsbury by April of 1986.

Throughout the years the biggest change Meyer has witnessed with Canada Post has been not with it's customers, but with the corporation itself.

"We are truly moving towards a more retail structure now than ever before. Service used to be our primary feature, but now we are starting to move into selling more retail items to our customers. That and, of course, the continual expansion of electronics behind the scenes."

"As with most businesses, everything is certainly becoming more and more computer-

"It was a pleasure working with those people in Didsbury...a real pleasure."

- Chris Meyer,
Retired postmaster

ized."

Today Meyer is content to take it easy and enjoy retirement with his wife in Airdrie. "I enjoy fishing and traveling. We may take a trip sometime in the near future, but nothing definite so far. It's just good to relax."

Meyer was welcomed into retirement by his colleagues with a small and personal get-together shortly before Christmas. The party included tickets to Stage West for he and his wife. "It was a pleasure working with those people in Didsbury...a real pleasure."

Curling Rink Ice Technician "set" for Bonspiel season



Lyle Craven

The holiday season is always particularly busy for Lyle and Cathy Craven and this year proved to be no exception. Aside from traditional Yuletide preparations, the Cravens have been keeping busy preparing the ice at the Didsbury Curling Rink for the upcoming season of bonspiels.

The Certified Ice Technician says there is always a lot to do when you are trying to obtain the best calibre of ice surface possible. Consequently the period between Christmas and New Years (and even over the weeks following) finds the man

and wife team busily scraping, washing, reflooding, reebbling and sweeping the ice to competition quality. "Normally it takes me about four hours to do the scraping and reebbling," explains Lyle Craven.

"We use a stopwatch to determine how fast the ice is and measure the length of time it takes for a rock to go from one hogline to the other. It can get pretty technical at times...it's pretty tricky to get things just so."

Despite the time involved, the Cravens believe their efforts

are well worth their while; especially come bonspiel day. "We have a very nice facility here. I think the curlers appreciate playing on ice that's been properly maintained. I know I used to...I've been a curler for many years myself and it does make a difference."

Lyle Craven adapted his honed ice making skills at a four-day intensive training seminar in Calgary.

"It can be a lot of work (maintaining and establishing an ice surface for curling) That's why I generally have one or more people helping me.

The whole process requires that you go up and down the ice again and again. And the season begins in late September early October and goes right through to March, so there's a lot of walking to do."

This week will be a busy one at the Didsbury Curling Rink with the Farm and Ranch Bonspiel taking place followed by the 4-H Bonspiel over the weekend and the Seniors Bonspiel the week following.

"I've done this job for the past eight years and I must say I do enjoy what I do very much."

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Brett Hopfe, who spent his minor hockey days in Didsbury, helps the Grizz out with his touch around the net.

Local players make impact with Grizzlys

by Barry Williams

Since the inception of the Olds Grizzlys, 21 years ago, the organization has always strived to have local players on the roster. Of the six, only captain Pat MacDonald has previous experience in the AJHL and his leadership has assisted in the development of the other players Brett Hopfe, Rich MacDonald, Matt Piller, Tyler Rosehill and Greg Kreese. Except for Hopfe, who played minor hockey in Didsbury, they are all graduates of the Olds Minor Hockey Association. Brett Hopfe has the skills of a complete player with an added edge. An excellent skater, puck handler and shooter, Hopfe has a touch around the net and never turns away from the rougher aspects of the game and he is the type of player, who can defeat a team through his offensive skills and physical play.

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Rage take two on weekend

The Didsbury Rage played two games this past weekend after the Christmas break. The last game the Rage played was December the 22nd in Red Deer, and it showed in Crossfield who they met on Saturday. Last meeting between these two teams, Didsbury had the upper hand and beat Crossfield quite easily, it didn't start off that way this game with Crossfield out shooting the Rage 16-12 and coming away with a two goal lead after the first. Not until midway through the second did Didsbury score when Joey Kemmere blasted in a rebound from a shot taken by Dakota Uhrich. Crossfield answered back ending the period with a 3-1 lead. Coming out for the third the Rage still looked rusty but continued to work hard with Bretton Cameron scoring on a wrap around 1:50 into the third. Less than two minutes later the Rage netted another on what looked like a harmless shot from the point tying the game up. The Rage would play the last fourteen minutes

short handed, two men short for 1:10 of that time. Jon Lefebvre set up Cameron to put the Rage ahead for the first time in the game with fourteen minutes left.

Crossfield came on strong for the remainder of the game but just couldn't capitalize on their power plays. With 22 seconds left, Didsbury scored an empty netter which put the icing on the cake. Crossfield did manage to score once more though with one second left on the clock bringing the final score to 5-4 Didsbury. It was a good game and Crossfield are a greatly improved team since the last meeting. Shots were 48-40 in favour of Crossfield.

The Rage's second game was at home, one of those early 9 am games! Okotoks were the opponents and the Rage hadn't played them yet so were not sure what to expect. Travis Dietrich opened the scoring 1:26 into the first assisted by Matt Collinge and Dakota Uhrich. Both teams were having great scoring opportunities with Steve Teskey getting the job done for the Rage. After

twelve minutes into the first, the Rage exploded offensively netting four more goals and allowing only one from Okotoks who were starting to look shaky. Mitch Mcketiak bagged a hat trick in the scoring flurry from a strong forward line of himself, Cameron and Lefebvre.

The second period was all Rage out shooting Okotoks 18-5 and scoring four more goals, Ryan Miller and Keenan Christenson each had an assist on two goals scored by Matt Collinge. The third period was not very different from the first and second periods with the Rage not letting up; the final score was 14-2 and the shots 46-24 in Didsbury's favour.

The whole team looked like they were back into the groove after the break and ready to play hockey again. Way to go Rage! The Rage will be moving up one level next weekend; The Airdrie A1 team invited the Rage to their tournament so it will be interesting to see how the boys do. Good luck lads.

Atom Roughriders tie with Morley

The Didsbury Atom B Roughriders had their first game of 2002 in Morley, it was fast paced with great scoring chances in the first period by both teams. Morley scored two quick goals early in the second and closed out the period with one more to take a 3-0 lead after two periods. The Roughriders could not get a good bounce in the first two periods, but it wasn't from the lack of effort.

The line of Matt Jaenen, John Carlson and Alex

Hutcheon had scoring chances but just couldn't bury the puck.

In the third period the Roughriders came out strong tying the game up in the first seven minutes, with goals by Sam Kilmury (short-handed), Sheldon Watkins and Mac Southgate. Zac Pochapsky used his speed to break-up a few of Morleys scoring chances, while Jordan Whitfield fought hard for the puck all game. Morley responded quickly with a goal to

take the lead. The defense squad of Kasey Eichhorst, Tyler Hobbs, Jesse Steward, Chelsea Overwater and Eric Timmins played tough in front of the net and made clearing passes to the offence. With four minutes left in the game Kasey passed to crossed Dayle Kimmel, as she crossed Morley's blue line she made a greet pass to Sam Kilmury who scored the tying goal. Don Kilmury made solid saves all game in goal for the Didsbury Roughriders.

Bantam A's split games

Didsbury Bantams had a great game against Strathmore on Saturday, with the opening goal 3 minutes into the game by Cody Edwards assisted by Chris Gole and Aaron Herold. Strathmore tied it up soon after. With 4 minutes of the 1st period left, Brett Fillmore scored unassisted. Two more goals flew in, still in the 1st, by Brad Edwards, assisted by Lee Stevens and Chris Gole and the other by Cody Edwards unassisted. Halfway through the 2nd period a shot from the point by Lee Stevens was assisted by Cordell Christensen and Jeff Clazie. Strathmore struggling to gain ground in the 3rd period only found Didsbury with 3 more goals, captured in a 3 minute span by Jeff Clazie assisted by Lee Stevens; Cody Edwards assisted by Brett Fillmore and

Brad Edwards and Garrett Wenckowski assisted by Brett Fillmore and Cody Edwards. Final score was 8 to 4 for Didsbury. Sundays league game against Airdrie saw the tables turned with Didsbury struggling for an edge. A rough, fast game where all of the boys efforts didn't allow a catch up. Jeff Clazie tucked in all 3 of Didsbury's goals with assists from Cordell Christensen, Will Harvie and Charles Weber. Hats off to Jeff! Final score 9 to 3 for Airdrie. Tough one guys! This coming up weekend the Bantams are off to Lethbridge for a 3 day tournament. Watch next weeks paper for advertisement on D.M.H.A. "Pub Night" hosted by the Didsbury Bantams, on Jan. 26/02 at the complex. Keep that date open for another great murder mystery!

Hockey at a Glance

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Past Weekend

Tykes 10 vs Sundre 8
Novice2 8 vs Novice3 2
Novice2 7 vs Olds 1
Novice1 3 vs Olds3 5
Novice1 7 vs Olds 7
PeeWeeC 5 vs Chestermere 3
PeeWeeA 5 vs Crossfield 4

Bantam Boys beat Strathmore and lost to Airdrie.

Upcoming Weekend

Novice1 is playing
Jan 12 at 9:30 in Sundre
PeeWee C are hosting a tournament
Jan 12, 13
Bantam Girls Jan 13 at 5:00 pm
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Above: Riley Frambes, Jordan
Reichenbacher, Ryan McLellan



Right: Bryce McDonald, Nolan Lanthier,
Brittany van Vlaanderen, Zachary van
Vlaanderen, Elizabeth Thompson, Travis
Large, Ian Peterson Zackary Overwater.
Missing: Kailey Gosselin, Jace Sorensen.



Samantha Mierke, Benjamin Strautman, Josh
Reichenbacher, Carley Dunn, Darby Nugent,
Laura Milne. Missing: Zak Mierke, Beau Ray
Gauthier, Austin Wright, Antoine Gauthier.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OBITUARY

BANICK - Irene Banick (nee O'Neil) of Didsbury, AB passed away peacefully December 26, 2001 at the age of 66 years. She was predeceased by her husband Oscar Banick in September of 1996. She will be sadly missed by her children Mike (Kathy) of Didsbury, Marlene (David) of Calgary and her special grandchildren Sarah, Jeff, Amy and Ryan. Irene is survived by three sisters, Jackie (Arnold), Myrtle (Orville) and Jenny (Ron) and one brother Dave (Kathy) and one sister-in-law Erna. Memorial services were held on Saturday, December 29, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Missionary Church, Didsbury. Special thanks to the staff of Unit 47 at the Tom Baker Centre and the Glenmore Carewest Palliative Care Centre. If friends so desire, donations can be made to the Tom Baker Cancer Centre (1331 - 29th St. N.W., Calgary, AB T2N 4N2). Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Didsbury, entrusted with arrangements.

FELDBUSCH - Mrs. Alice Mae Feldbusch, beloved wife of Mr. Charlie Feldbusch of Taber, passed away in Lethbridge on Thursday, December 20, 2001 at the age of 57 years. Alice was born at Didsbury on December 16, 1944 and was the daughter of Reginald and Etta Hamper. She received her early schooling at Neapolis School and then to Didsbury where she graduated. She married Charlie Feldbusch on February 11, 1964. They resided in Taber for the past 25 years. Besides her loving husband Charlie, Alice will be sadly missed by her children Brian of Taber; Brenda (Mike) Liggett of Bow Island and their children Deveen, Taylor and Jordan; Cheryl (Rob) Higgins of Taber and their children Dustin, Cody and Amber and Linda (Wally) Walpole of Vulcan and their children Christopher and Tyler; a brother Robert Hamper of Didsbury; a sister Mickey (Earl) Stender of Strathmore and also by numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. She was predeceased by her parents Reginald and Etta Hamper. The Funeral Service was held at Knox United Church, Taber on Monday, December 24, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. with Reverend Jim Lochhead officiating. Interment followed in the Taber Memorial Garden. If friends so desire, memorial tributes in Alice's name may be made to the Alberta Lung Association, P.O. Box 52, Lethbridge, Alberta T1J 3Y3. Arrangements were in care of Southland Funeral Chapel, Taber, Alberta.

SHEILS - Dorothy Irene of Carstairs passed away quietly at the Foothills Hospital on December 14, 2001 in her 89th year. She was predeceased by her husband, Bruce Sheils on February 2, 1989. She is survived by her four daughters, Gladys (Roy) Dowell, Lois (Mernus) Casebeer of Carstairs, Ann (Jim) Bain of Calgary and Linda Neergaard of Didsbury; 26 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by sister-in-laws Emma Sheils of Olds, Annetta Cammart of Rockyford, Bea Pack of Lethbridge; brother-in-laws Karl Reese of Didsbury, Ken Bjornson of Vulcan and numerous nieces and nephews. Dorothy was a long-time resident of the Didsbury area where she and Bruce farmed and raised their family. She was in the district from 1932 to 1992. She was very active in the Lone Pine W.I., Didsbury Royal Purple and Didsbury Thrift Shop, which was very important to her. She was a hockey grandma to young hockey boys of Didsbury. In 1992, she moved to Carstairs and resided at the Chinook Winds Lodge. She loved to play tile Rummy, bingo, shuffleboard and enjoyed all the residents who resided there. She always loved being with her children and grandchildren. Family gatherings were always times she greatly looked forward to. There was never a Mum or Grandmother ever so loving and proud. She never missed any birthdays and Christmas was a very special time of year, which she enjoyed so much. Her loving and caring smile will be missed by all. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, December 19, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. in the Didsbury Memorial Complex. Interment followed in the Didsbury Cemetery. Memorial tributes may be made directly to the charity of choice, Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Didsbury entrusted with arrangements.

KONSCHUH - Marie Konschuh passed away at Olds Hospital, December 18, 2001 at the age of 90 years. She is survived by daughters, Doreen Frost, Judy (Vernard) McMann, sons, Don (Andrea), Laverne (Jackie), Richard (Elaine), son-in-law, Don Brodie; 17 grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren; 2 great great grandchildren; 2 sisters, Esther Phillips and Florence Wood; 1 sister-in-law Ethel Konschuh. Marie was predeceased by her husband, Adam, daughters Marianne and Diane, brothers Alberta, Allan, and sister Emma Rousch. Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 22, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church with Pastor John Lentz officiating. Interment was in the Didsbury Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes in Marie's honor may be made directly to the St. Paul's Lutheran Church or the charity of choice. Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Olds entrusted with arrangements.

FRIESEN - Jacob Friesen passed away suddenly at his home on January 1, 2002 at the age of 78. He was born on November 30, 1923 in More, Crimea and came to Canada with his parents, older brother John and sister Anne. They settled in the Chinook-Youngstown area where his younger brother Henry and sister Mary were born before moving to Namaka. Jacob married Lena Eitzen on April 22, 1951. They established their own farm in the Didsbury area, enjoying 44 happy and loving years before Lena passed away in 1995. Jacob continued living on the farm until his sudden passing. Jacob took particular pleasure in the ability to bring more life to this world thru animals, plants and gardening. This lifelong interest growing fruit trees inspired him to plant cherry bushes, plum trees and more recently grape vines. He was successful in grafting fruit tree branches onto various root stock. Jacob enjoyed visiting and meeting people and had lots of stories to tell of places he had been and the people he had met. He will be fondly remembered by his daughters Judy (Ross) Warner of Didsbury and Barbara (John) Feldberg of Calgary, his granddaughters Carolyn and Brenda and many nieces, nephews and friends. Funeral services were held on Monday, January 7, 2002 at Bergthal Mennonite Church with Rev. David Letkemann officiating. Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Didsbury in charge of the arrangements. In memory of Jacob, donations may be made to the Canada Foodgrains Bank (P.O. 767, Winnipeg, MB R3C 2L4).

HERRON - Mrs. Eileen Herron of Olds went to her Lord and Saviour January 2nd, 2002 at the age of 84 years. She was the first New Years baby born in Calgary in 1918, five minutes after midnight with the bells still ringing. Her life in Calgary was short lived as the family moved to Olds to farm in the Mayton District. Eileen was a hard worker and always worked side by side with her husband Clare whom she married December 1st, 1937. Mum was a spotless house keeper and an excellent cook. It was always a pleasure to go home for one of her meals and to sample all the excellent preserves she made every year. She loved the farm life, and though things were tough in the early years she never complained. Music was always a large part of mum's life and she enjoyed playing the piano both at home and for her church. Her outstanding Christian influence will always remain with her family. Predeceased by her husband Clare in 1995 and by an infant grandson Robert Maetche, she will be lovingly remembered by her three daughters and their families, Mary Lou (Bruce) Wilson of Lacombe, Carolyn (Dennis) Temple of Olds, Bonnie (Wil) Porat of Didsbury, seven grandchildren Steve, Ken and Rory Maetche, Debrah Winter, Angela Spreeman, Raina and Mandy Peterman, 13 great grandchildren, one brother Ronald Bauman of Richmond, B.C., one sister Ruth Smith of Olds and many other relatives and a host of friends. Funeral services were held from the East Baptist Church on Tuesday, January 8th, 2002 at 1:30 p.m. Interment followed in the Mayton Cemetery. If friends desire memorial contributions may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society 4730A Ross Street, Red Deer, AB T4N 1X2, World Vision, PO Box 2400, STN Streetsville, Mississauga, ON L5M 6A5 or to the charity of the donors choice. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to wfch@telusplanet.net. **WILSON'S FUNERAL CHAPEL** serving Central Alberta with locations in Lacombe and Rimbey in charge of the arrangements.

CARDS OF THANKS

The family of Edna Murphy would like to send out our heartfelt thanks to a wonderful community. Thank you to all the families who sent flowers, food and cards during the past few weeks. Your kindness during this tough time is much appreciated...

Tom Murphy, Courtney Murphy, Nicole Morgan and Louise Melanson.

The family of Len Sanderson would like to thank Mountain View Regional Emergency Services personnel for their quick response and medical assistance, friends and neighbours for all their visits, cards, flowers, food, memorial donations, prayers and caring support. Thanks also to Gene Hartmann for the touching eulogy, organist Corrine Alm and singers Judy and Steven Fillmore for the special music, Pastor Al Griffin and the Church of the Nazarene for the wonderful memorial service and lunch, and the staff of Mountain View Funeral Chapels for their kind assistance.

We would like to thank the wonderful friends, neighbors and relatives for the visits, food, prayers and cards during our time of sorrow at the loss of our daughter-in-law, Edna. Your kindness and consideration was appreciated more than you know.

Cliff & Angeline Murphy

SHEILS: Our sincere thanks to our friends and family for your thoughtfulness during the passing of Dorothy Sheils, Mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother. Your prayers, expression of condolences, cards, calls, visits, flowers, food and contributions to Charities in her name were comforting to us. Thanks to Carstairs Fire Department, Mountain View Ambulance Service, Didsbury Home Care, Didsbury District Health Services and Staff. Also, we would like to thank Dr. Temple and staff of the Foothills Hospital. A special thanks to Rev. Sung Chul Choi of Carstairs United Church for the lovely service, Didsbury U.C.W. and the Royal Purple ladies for the lunch following the service. Also, the support of the Carstairs Chinook Winds Lodge as well as the Didsbury Mountain View Funeral Chapel for their kind assistance.

Gladys & Roy & families, Lois & Mernus & families, Ann & Jim & families, Linda & families.

The family of Alice Feldbusch would like to give thanks to friends and family for their support and generosity, in the time of her passing, December 20, 2001. The many cards, platters, flowers and contributions were greatly appreciated.

Charles Feldbusch and family

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MILLER - In loving memory of Gordon who passed away December 31, 1999

Our hearts are full of memories,
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The way you had to leave us,
Will always seem unfair.
Sad are the hearts that love you,
Many the tears that fall.
Living our lives without you
Is the hardest part of all.
In all that life has been,
And all that's left to do,
We will never have a greater gift
Than the time we spent with you.

Sadly missed by Edna and family

In loving memory of Justin Artindale who passed away January 7, 1999

One precious to our hearts is gone,
The voice we loved is stilled.
The place made vacant in our lives,
Can never more be filled.
Always a thought and many a tear,
For the one we miss and loved so dear.
The sudden way you had to die,
We will always remember and wonder why.
No one can know the sorrow we share,
When family meets and you're not there.
We hold our tears when we speak your name,
But the ache in our hearts remains the same.
May the winds of love blow gently,
And whisper so you can hear,
That we still love and miss you,
And wish that you were here.

Lovingly remembered by Dad, Mom, Madeline, Angela, Mike, Amber and Megan.

BIRTH

Joel is pleased to announce he is a big brother. His sister, Lacey Jade Newsome, was born Dec. 7, 2001 at Foothills Hospital weighing 8 lbs, 5 ozs. and 21 inches long. Everyone's home and enjoying the Christmas arrival. Thank you to everyone for your thoughts, gifts & prayers. Dale, Judi, Joel & Lacey Newsome.



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SOCIAL & ROUND dance, Thursday, Jan. 10, 8 p.m. \$4/person. Evergreen Hall, 5237-52 St. Olds. A quick walkthru of the dances. Contact Alvin 335-4296. Watch next week paper we are planning more weekly dances. 37-1t

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Blood Donor Clinic

Wednesday January 16th from 3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Memorial Complex. For appointments call 1-888-236-6283. Walk-ins also welcome

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Breakfast

Christian Women's Club breakfast is being held at the 5-0 Club on Jan. 15 from 9:30 - 11:00. Life's Choices is the topic. Call 335-3765 or 337-3200 for reservations

Westcott Community Hall
Mixed Bridal shower for Sherry Wilson and Don Morrisch Sunday Jan. 13/02 2:00 - 4:00. Pot luck lunch. Everyone welcome.

Meeting

Compassionate Friends - last Thursday of each month (except December), 7:30 p.m. in Board Room at Drumheller Health Unit. Contact Linda Adams at 823-3341.

DIDSBURY

Bottle Drive

1st Didsbury Scouting Groups are having a bottle drive on Sat. Jan. 12 starting at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting

The Monthly meeting of the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Didsbury Inn Lounge on Jan. 14th at 7:00 p.m.

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DIVORCE CARE

A video support group meeting for divorced/separated persons now meets every Thurs. at 2022-20 Ave. Didsbury (west of post office). A place to be understood & learn valuable ways to cope and heal. Contact Amie at 335-9656 for more info.

CHAMPS

"NEW" Canadian Weight Awareness - CHAMPS Clubs Inc. is a Registered Non-Profit Weight Loss Support Organization which meets weekly. We are open to Men and Ladies whom share a common concern of managing funds sensibly. For more info contact Elaine at 250-832-7671 or Jan at 250-392-5474.

DIDSBURY MUSEUM

New/Winter hours: Saturday: 1 - 5 p.m., special occasions, & anytime by appointment. Please call Marg Weaver at 335-4245, Jim Neis at 335-3133 or Willard Stauffer at 335-3715.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Meeting-Second Monday of each month 6:30 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265. RSVP

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Joanne at 337-2614.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office. For info call Jean at the Town Office at 335-3391.

TOY LIBRARY

Kidding Around Parents Club Toy Library: Open Tuesdays 10-11:30 a.m. and 2nd & 4th Saturdays for the fall at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Kerri at 335-9928.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Roxanne at 335-8322 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Mom's Time Out and Dads Too. At Redeemer Lutheran Church, Mondays 10:11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-2388 for more information.

DIDSBURY

KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For more information please call 335-8208.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

RECYCLING DEPOT

Didsbury Lions Recycle Centre open Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Accepting newspaper, office papers, magazines, junkmail, plastic milkjugs (please clean). Phone 335-8193. Use outside bins.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

We are currently accepting registrations for the 2001-2002 school year. No parent commitment or fundraising required. Call 335-8039 or 335-4697 for info.

LIONS

Lions Handi Bus in town service Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Wheelchair accessible. Call Lloyd Kenyon at 335-2363.

INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location.

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

Just Done For Fun out of school care program runs each school day at Ross Ford. For more information call 335-8168.

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AL-ANON

Al-Anon: for persons affected by someone else's drinking. Fri. 8 p.m. For more information call 337-2549, 335-9787 or 337-3762.

BRIDGE CLUB

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-8375 or 638-2757.

HALL WALKING

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SUPPORT GROUP

ADD /ADHD Support Group. For parents and families dealing with attention deficit disorder. For more info call Sheree 335-8612.

HOME HELP ASSOCIATION

The Didsbury Home Help Support Services co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 335-4391.

LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. Meet on last Tuesday of the month in lower level conference room in Physiotherapy Unit of Hospital. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

LONE PINE

T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Friday at 9 a.m. at Lone Pine Hall. For information call Doreen at 335-4514.

OLDS

MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month. For time and place, contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

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Wednesdays, 8 - 9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

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